Export of mangoes from Andhra Pradesh

491. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether mangoes produced in Andhra Pradesh have tremendous potential for exports;

(b) the exports of mangoes from the State during the last three years and Foreign exchange earned in US dollar terms, year-wise; and

(c) the incentives Government have extended for the growth of mango production in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) State-wise export figures for any commodity are not maintained. However, India's exports of fresh mangoes during the last three years are as follows:

Year	Value of export (Rs. Crores)	Value of export (US $ million)
2000-2001	68.61	15.02
2001-2002	80.99	16.98
2002-2003	84.91	17.40

(Source DOC NIC)

1 US$ = Rs. 47.6919 (2001-02)

1 US$ = Rs. 48.3953 (2002-03)

(c) Three Agri Export Zones (AEZ) have been approved for being set up on Mango Pulp & Fresh Vegetables, Mango and Grapes and Mangoes in different districts of Andhra Pradesh for facilitating production of mangoes for exports. Assistance for development of fruits including mango is provided under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme in Agriculture-Supplementation/Complementation of State Efforts through Work Plan, under which the State Government has been given the freedom to take up programmes as per their felt needs and priority.